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1. About two kilometers southwest of Policka (050/N15) is an underground factory manufacturing ammunition. The factory employs 1,250 men working in three shifts and is controlled by Zbrojovka Brno, which has military officers stationed in the factory. The factory is located in a wood; the buildings are about four meters below ground. Only the power plant and boiler house are above ground. Two new buildings are being built. The whole area is surrounded by an electrified barbed wire fence and a ditch in which anti-personnel mines have been laid. There is a military guard.

2. The factory manufactures SAA cartridge casings and bullets, which are sent to Zbrojovka Brno to be filled, as well as hand grenades and anti-personnel mines.

3. Wood for mine casings is supplied by the state-owned saw mill and cardboard for SAA cartons by the paper factory in Policka. Explosia Semtin supplies the powder. The factory has its own power plant. Five-ton army Tatra trucks are used for transportation.

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